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Item: Strategic Planning Process

Statutory Authority: 16 V.S.A. §180

Background Information:

At its June 22-23 planning meeting, the State Board, in collaboration with staff from the Department of Education, met to begin to preliminary work on the next iteration of the Board's and Department's strategic plan. 16 V.S.A. §180 requires a strategic plan and that it be reviewed and updated every 5 years (this is the 5th year). The next step is to re-form the strategic plan (the mission, vision, goals, objectives, indicators of progress) by renewing it to 1) reflect current practice and views, 2) assure that all students graduate from high school globally competitive, and 3) integrate the tenets of the Transformation initiative. That process will include members of the State Board and representatives from department staff working together to flesh out those goals, strategies and objectives.

In addition, there will be multiple opportunities for public engagement, outreach and input.

Below are the Mission, Vision, and DRAFT goals and objectives on which the sub-committees have been working since the September 15, 2009 meeting. Also attached are: a) the timeline; b) the working template; and c) the public engagement process.

Mission:

The State Board and Department of Education provide leadership to ensure that the Vermont education system gives each learner the opportunity to succeed in the 21st century.

Vision:

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DRAFT Goals (as of 10/19/09)

Goal I: Establish high-quality, research-based teaching and learning practices to continually improve achievement for all learners.

Goal II: Provide and promote high-quality, transformative educational leadership.

Goal III: Ensure a safe and flexible learning environment that supports a plosive climate

Goal IV: Local, regional, and state partners will collectively understand and endorse the vision, goals and policy of the Transformation effort and actively contribute to its implementation.

Goal V: Establish a coherent state and local policy structure that promotes the educational practices and student outcomes demonstrated in research as essential for student success in the 21st century.

Proposed Vermont State Board of Education and Department of Education 2009-2010 Strategic Planning

Timeline

Dates	Event/Topic	Action	NOTES
September 1, 2009	Mailing in Preparation for September 15 th State Board Meeting	*Document to State Board Members: • Draft timeline for • planning process • Proposed planning sub- committee membership • Draft planning Guide • Draft public engagement process *Organiza for Planning Process:	Completed
September 15	State Board Meeting	*Organize for Planning Process: • Appoint Sub- Committee members • Set timeline • Establish decision • making process *Adopt template to guide planning *Agree upon engagement process (for receiving input) *Sub-committees begin work	Completed
September 15 – October 16	Subcommittee work sessions (goals and objectives)	* Refine Goal statements * Develop draft Objectives	Committees have met. October SBE meeting moved from 10/20 to 10/27.
October 20	Mailing for 10/27 mtg.		Completed
October 27	State Board Meeting	* Progress Report on Goals and draft Objectives	

		* Reach consensus on work to date *Committees meet to work on next steps.	
October 12 – November 5	Engagement Process: Goals and Objectives	*Communicate and receive input from DOE personnel *Communicate and receive input from civic and formal educational organizations	Brochure developed for use at VSA/VSBA annual meeting.
October 27 – November 5	Subcommittee work (refining goals and objectives; draft Indicators of Progress)	*Refine goals and objectives, if necessary *Develop draft Indicators of Progress	
November 6 (9)	Mailing for 11/17 mtg.		
November 17	State Board Meeting	*Review input from the various entities *Provide results of input to each planning subcommittee *Review refined goals and objectives and reach consensus * Review draft indicators of progress	
November 18 to December 2	Engagement Process: Goals, Objectives & Indicators of Progress	*Communicate and receive input from DOE personnel *Communicate and receive input from civic and formal educational organizations	
November 18 to December 2	Subcommittee work sessions (indicators of progress; goals and objectives – if needed)	*Continue work on draft Indicators of Progress *Refine goals and objectives and reach consensus - if necessary	
December 4	Mailing for 12/15 mtg.		

December 15	State Board Meeting	*Review input from the various entities *Provide results of input to each planning subcommittee *Review Indicators of Progress and reach consensus	
December 16 –	Subcommittee work	Refine Indicators of Progress, if	
December 30	session (timeline and	necessary	
	resources; Indicators of	*Establish timeline for	
	Progress – if necessary)	implementing plan	
		*Identify general resources needed	
January 8	Mailing for 1/19 mtg.		-
January 19, 2010	State Board Meeting	*Review refined Indicators of	
		Progress – if necessary	
		*Reach consensus on timeline and	
		resources	
		*Approve draft plan for general	
		distribution	
February 17 – March 9,	Public Engagement:	*Web-based and other	
2010	Broadcast Draft Plan	technological distributions	
	across all of Vermont	*Conduct Hearings	
		*Hold meetings with various	
		groups across Vermont	
		*Review input and adjust plan	
		accordingly	
February 5	Mailing for 2/16 mtg.		
February 16	State Board Meeting	*Adopt Strategic Plan	
February 17 – March 9	SBE & Commissioner:	*Governor	
	Present Plan	*Legislative Education Committees	
		*Vermont Schools and	
		Communities	

March 5	Mailing for 3/16 mtg.		
March 16, 2010	State Board Meeting	Process Check	
March 17 to March 31,		*Budget considerations	
2010		*State Board policy considerations	
		*State Board recommended	
		legislation	
April/May 2010	State Board Functions	Prepare implementation plans	
	Commissioner	-DOE work	
	Functions	-Directions to the field	

Vermont State Board of Education and Department of Education

2009- 2014 Strategic Plan Template

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Introduction

Section 180 of Title 16 requires the State Board of Education to "adopt through a public process a statewide strategic education plan to describe how the agency will help school boards to improve student performance." The Board has made the Transformation of Education in Vermont its focus and the focus of the Department of Education. This plan reflects a (renewed) commitment to providing all Vermont students the opportunities to succeed in the 21st century.

State Board and Department of Education Mission/Vision

Mission

Provide leadership to ensure that the Vermont education system gives each learner the opportunity to succeed in the 21st century.

Vision

The educational system provides each student with the knowledge and skills necessary for success in college, careers and citizenship. It responds to the needs of students, provides flexible learning environments rich with 21st century tools and expects students to demonstrate understanding through a variety of means.

Key Statement Regarding "Transformation"

Preparing Students for the World that Awaits Them

The 21st century world is expanding and redefining the knowledge and skill demands on students beyond high school. Too large a portion of Vermont learners are leaving the education system without the necessary tools to succeed. In addition, the rising costs of education in a declining economy and in a period of shrinking school enrollments are forcing new approaches to current practices.

Fortunately, Vermont's existing education system has a solid foundation on which to build on and prepare students for the future. Our state has a lengthy history of educational accomplishments of which we can be justifiably proud. But we need to keep accelerating those accomplishments in order to provide all Vermont students with the skills and opportunities they need and deserve to succeed.

All students, regardless of their learning styles, gifts, challenges, circumstances or expectations, deserve the opportunity to build the skills necessary for success in school, college, their careers and their communities. To achieve those challenging objectives, Vermont's schools cannot merely be readjusted. They must be genuinely transformed.

Goal Areas for Planning (Note: Goals are in *Draft* language (as of 10/19/09))

Goal I: Establish high-quality, research-based teaching and learning practices to

continually improve achievement for all learners.

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vision, goals and policy of the Transformation effort and actively contribute to its

implementation.

Goal V: Establish a coherent state and local policy structure that promotes the

educational practices and student outcomes demonstrated in research as essential

for student success in the 21st century.

Template To Guide the Work of Each Goal Area

GOAL I

1. Goal: (title and definition)

Establish high-quality, research-based teaching and learning practices to continually improve achievement for all learners.

2. List membership on each goal area:

*Stephan Morse

*Robert Kelley

Pat Fitzsimmons

Troy McAllister

Lindsay Simpson

3. Establish Objectives (Usually 3(+ or -) for Goal)

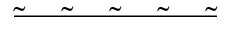
CURRENT DRAFT LANGUAGE:

- **Objective #1:** By 2011, the Department of Education will construct cohesive, shared frameworks for research-based, student centered teaching and learning.
- **Objective #2:** By 2014, 25% of Vermont schools will implement and evaluate research-based, student centered frameworks to continually improve achievement for all learners.
- **Objective #3:** By 2012, 50% of Vermont schools will use data to inform programmatic decisions.
- **Objective #4:** By 2012, the Department of Education, State Board of Education and Vermont Standards Board for Professional Educators will develop a continuum of career-long educator development that is responsive to the needs of students.
- **Objective #5:** By 2012, the Department of Education will revise state grade expectations to incorporate knowledge and skill demands of college/career/citizenship in a global and technological world.
- **Objective** #6: By 2014, educational leaders in 80% of schools will identify and implement systems of transformational practices that support students entering the 21st century workforce.

4. Identify Indicators of Progress Towards Accomplishing Each Goal

5. <u>List Resources Necessary to Support Action Steps (Time, Money, People, Structures and/or Technology)</u>

6. Establish a Strategic Timeline for Engaging in Strategies and accomplishing Goals (One to Five Years)



GOAL II

1. Goal: (title and definition)

Provide and promote high-quality, transformative educational leadership.

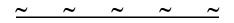
- 2. List membership on each goal area:
 - *Fayneese Miller
 - *Alex Melville

Tina Muncy

Anne Bordonaro

Carol Duley

- 3. Establish Objectives (Usually 3(+ or -) for Goal CURRENT DRAFT LANGUAGE:
 - 1. Develop a foundation of common standards for transformative educational leadership that will underlie all phases of a leader's career (i.e., preparation, mentoring, supervision/evaluation, coaching) (Promote)
 - 2. Develop a process for identifying individuals with the potential to be transformative educational leaders and encouraging them to pursue leadership roles (Provide)
 - 3. Ensure that good leadership practices are followed in all Vermont schools (gets at things like doing regular evaluations as required, using a protocol and trained observer, providing formative as well as summative feedback, etc. that we discussed)(Provide and promote)
- 4. Identify Indicators of Progress Towards Accomplishing Each Goal
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GOAL III

1. Goal: (title and definition)

Ensure a safe and flexible learning environment that supports a plosive climate

2. List membership on each goal area:

*Kathy Larsen
*Judy Livingston
Kate Larose
Kate Cassi O'Neill

3. Establish Objectives (Usually 3(+ or -) for Goal CURRENT DRAFT LANGUAGE:

- 1. By the year 2012, all school systems will have established policies and implemented procedures that result in safer learning environments for all students and staff.
- 2. By 2012, increased learning is taking place because there are a range of environments provided for learners that allow for differences in style, interest, abilities and engagement.
- 3. By 2012, all school systems will have developed a sustainable and systemwide positive climate that cultivates social and academic success.

4. Identify Indicators of Progress Towards Accomplishing Each Goal

- 5. <u>List Resources Necessary to Support Action Steps (Time, Money, People, Structures and/or Technology)</u>
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GOAL IV

1. Goal: (title and definition)

GOAL IV (Engage For Results)

Local, regional, and state partners will collectively understand and endorse the vision, goals and policy of the Transformation effort and actively contribute to its implementation.

2. List membership on each goal area:

*Brian Vachon

*John Hall

Dave Phillips

Bruce Smith

Doug Webster

Jill Remick

Carol King

3. Establish Objectives (Usually 3(+ or -) for Goal CURRENT DRAFT LANGUAGE:

OBJECTIVE 1 (Message Branding):

By year-end, 2009, create and agree upon a compelling summary of educational transformation that can be confined to a single paragraph and/or delivered in 30 seconds

OBJECTIVE 2 (Communications Process):

By year-end 2010, develop and implement a comprehensive communications plan that will raise awareness among key stakeholder groups of the need to transform Vermont's educational system, and of the essential elements and benefits of transformation.

OBJECTIVE 3 (Community Activism)

By the end of 2012, all Vermont communities, including local businesses, employers, clubs, civic organizations, etc., will actively engage in creating demand for educational Transformation within their region.

OBJECTIVE 4 (System Achievement Agreement) - placeholder

By the end of 2010, there is agreement among Vermont communities, secondary education staff and faculty, employers, labor, and colleges of student outcome goals as a result of the Transformation.

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GOAL V

1. Goal: (title and definition)

Establish a coherent state and local policy structure that promotes the educational practices and student outcomes demonstrated in research as essential for student success in the 21^{st} century.

2. List membership on each goal area:

- * Ruth Stokes
- * Don Collins

Kay Charron

Tom Alderman

Susan Hayes

3. Establish Objectives (Usually 3(+ or -) for Goal CURRENT DRAFT LANGUAGE:

- 1. By 2012, establish policy to enable educators (teachers and leaders) to be qualified and effective in using transformational practices. (This could incorporate such policy areas as educator licensing, professional development, and 21st century teaching & learning practices).
- 2. By 2012, establish policy to align VT learning expectations and assessments with knowledge and skill demands essential for success in college, careers, and citizenship in a global and technological world. (This could incorporate such policy areas as revising the VT Framework, proficiency based grading/graduation, and college/career readiness).
- 3. By 2013, establish policy to create an education quality system that measures and audits education outcomes and practices at both the district and school level. (This could incorporate such policy areas as adopting education quality standards, creation of an education quality consortium, and quality audits.)
- 4. By 2012, establish policy to structure districts so they can substantially improve education quality, expand learning options for learners, and increase education equity across gender and socioeconomic cohorts.
- 5. By 2012, establish policy to charge and monitor districts and schools on the implementation of transformative practices.

(This is an attempt to move transformation from a good idea discussion to a public policy directive that all schools will act on).

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Proposed Public Engagement Process

Date	Topic/Action	Notes
	Agenda Item for each SBE meeting between now and	
	March	
	Board meetings in different locations/regions around the	
	state	
	SBE Web page: Specific section dedicated to Strategic	
	Plan Development	
	Email Address established for Input, with auto reply;	
	comes to Carol's email: included postal mailing address	
	Weekly/Biweekly Field Memo updates	
	Newspaper ads regarding Strategic Planning process and	
	inviting input (starting in XX)	
	Embed strategic plan email address in SBE meeting CDs	
	(distributed to public access stations)	
	Intentionally encourage DOE staff input; serve as	
	messengers 117 PETN	
	Public access: Channel 17; RETN, etc.	
	Press releases on drafts ready for comment	
	Editorials/Op. Eds.	-
	Engage partners (and beyond): => implementation	
	VSBA's "The Boardroom" document	
	Specific notes/invites/letters to partners who provided	
	earlier input: outreach, coming to meetings, assist with	
	implementation	-
	VTNEA: monthly newsletter; attendance at October annual	
	meeting	
	VSA/VSBA Annual Meeting – Develop brochure for	
	distribution.	

2010-2015 Strategic Plan Development

Current Work

The State Board and Department of Education are currently in the process of developing a statewide strategic plan for education. At its June 22-23 planning meeting, the State Board, in collaboration with staff from the Department of Education, met to begin preliminary work on the next iteration of the Board's and Department's strategic plan. 16 V.S.A. §180 requires the State Board of Education to "adopt through a public process a statewide strategic education plan to describe how the agency will help school boards to improve student performance" and that it be reviewed and updated every five years. This being the fifth year, work is underway to develop a strategic plan that: 1) reflects current practice and views, 2) assures that all students graduate from high school competitive in a global economy, and 3) integrates the tenets of Transformation (See http://education.vermont.gov/new/html/dept/transformation.html).

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We want to hear from you.....

- ➤ Are these the right goals?
- > Do they reflect the intent of the Mission and Vision?
- ➤ Do they support Vermont's education Transformation effort?
- > Are they stated in user-friendly terms?
- ➤ Are they easily translated to your school's Action Plan?

We encourage all Vermonters to have a discussion in your community, with colleagues, with students, with school boards, with business and industry associates, and share your thoughts with us at: edplan@list.education.state.vt.us.

The <u>attached brochure</u>, *Developing a Statewide Strategic Education Plan*, can be printed and shared during those discussions.

Strategic Plan Update (10/19/09)

Below is input received from the Strategic Planning teams since their initial meetings on 9/15. Updates will be provided as information changes.

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	meetings)	Meetings
Goal I: Establish high-quality	6 7	9/15/09
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9		10/6/09
improve achievement for all	research-based, student centered teaching and	
learners.	learning.	Next conversation:: 10/27/09
	Obj. #2: By 2014, 25% of Vermont schools will	
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	achievement for all learners.	Pat Fitzsimmons
	OLL #2 D 2012 500/ CVV	Lindsay Simpson
		Stephan Morse
	use data to inform programmatic decisions.	Robert Kelley
	Obi. #4: By 2012 the Department of Education	
	develop a continuum of career-long educator	
	development that is responsive to the needs of	
	students.	
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Goal III: Provide each student the opportunity to learn in a safe and positive learning environment.	Goal III: Ensure a safe and flexible learning environment that supports a positive climate	Current DRAFT Language: Obj. #1: By the year 2012, all school systems will have established policies and implemented procedures that result in safer learning environments for all students and staff. Obj. #2: By 2012, increased learning is	9/15/09 9/25/09 9/30/09 10/12/09 Next conversation: 10/27/09
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		for differences in style, interest, abilities and engagement. Obj. #3: By 2012, all school systems will have developed a sustainable and systemwide positive climate that cultivates social and	Kate Larose Kathy Larsen Judy Livingston
Goal IV: Build consensus with	Goal IV: Local, regional, and state	academic success. Current DRAFT Language:	9/15/09
local, statewide and national	partners will collectively	Obj. #1 (Message Branding):	9/22/09
partners to ensure a unified	understand and endorse the vision,	By year-end, 2009, create and agree upon a	10/7/09
Transformation effort.	goals and policy of the	compelling summary of educational	10/13/09
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	Contribute to its implementation.	paragraph and/or derivered in 50 seconds	10/27/09
		Obj. #2 (Communications Process):	
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		comprehensive communications plan that will raise awareness among key stakeholder groups	Dave Phillips Doug Webster
		of the need to transform Vermont's educational	Jill Remick
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		benefits of transformation.	Brian Vachon
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		Obj. # 3 (Community Activism): By the end of 2012, all Vermont communities,	
		including local businesses, employers, clubs,	
		civic organizations, etc., will actively engage in	
		creating demand for educational Transformation	
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		Obj. #4 (System Achievement Agreement) –	
		placeholder: By the end of 2010, there is	
		agreement among Vermont communities,	
		secondary education staff and faculty,	
		employers, labor, and colleges of student outcome goals as a result of the Transformation.	
Goal V: Implement statewide	Goal V: Establish a coherent state	Current DRAFT Language:	9/15/09
policies that align educational	and local policy structure that	Obj. # 1: By 2012, establish policy to enable	9/23/09
opportunities with a transformed	promotes the educational practices	educators (teachers and leaders) to be qualified	
system	and student outcomes demonstrated	and effective in using transformational	Next conversation:

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State Board of Education 2009-2010 Meeting Dates

October 27, 2009

November 17, 2009

December 15, 2009

January 19, 2010

February 16, 2010

March 16, 2010

April 13, 2010

May 18, 2010

June 15, 2010



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Work Currently Underway

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